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In re Patent Application of	)	Group Art Unit: 2123
Nicholas Grant Rasmussen, et al.	)	Examiner: Paul L. Rodriguez
Application No. 10/608,935	)	SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
Filed: June 27, 2003	)	<u>DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u>
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD OF	)	
SIMULATING THE MOVEMENT OF	)	
ELEMENTS THROUGH A REGION OF 3D	)	
SPACE	)	
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Sir:

Applicants submit herewith information of which applicants are aware, which applicants believe may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56.

This Information Disclosure Statement:

- (a) [ ] accompanies the new patent application submitted herewith. 37 CFR § 1.97(a).
- (b) [ ] is filed within three months after the filing date of the application or within three months after the date of entry of the national stage of a PCT application as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.491.
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[If either of boxes (d) or (e) are checked above, the following "certification" under 37 CFR § 1.97(e) may need to be completed.] The undersigned certifies that:

(f) [ ] Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication mailed from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

(g) [ ] No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication mailed from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

A list of the patent(s) or publication(s) is set forth on the attached Form PTO-1449 (Modified). A copy of the items on PTO-1449 (Modified) is supplied herewith; except SIGGRAPH 2002 Course 9, pp 1-1 thru 7-31, with attention to J. Tessendorf, "Simulating Ocean Water," pp 3-1 thru 3-19 plus 44 page chart presentation "Simulating Ocean Surfaces" (pages not numbered). The SIGGRAPH 2002 Course 9 reference was previously submitted in the IDS dated November 19, 2003, and improperly referenced when previously submitted as J. Tessendorf, "Simulating Ocean Waves", In Simulating Nature: Realistic and Interactive Techniques.

Applicant believes that an IDS dated June 29, 2006 was inadvertently filed without a 1449 Form listing the Gamito (Manuel Noronha Gamito, "Simulation of Turbulent Flow Using Vortex Particles", pps. 1-12 (unnumbered)), Stam (Jos Stam, et al., "Depicting Fire And Other Gaseous Phenomena Using Diffusion Processes", In Proceedings of SIGGRAPH 1995, ACM Press/ACM SIGGRAPH, Computer Graphics Proceedings, Annual Conference Series, ACM, 1995, pps. 129-136 (unnumbered), and SIGGRAPH 2002 Course 9 (SIGGRAPH 2002 Course 9, pp 1-1 thru 7-31, with attention to J. Tessendorf, "Simulating Ocean Water," pp 3-1 thru 3-19 plus 44 page chart presentation "Simulating Ocean Surfaces" (pages not numbered)) references. As a result, applicant resubmits the present IDS.

A concise explanation of relevance of the described above and attached information is:

(k)  not given  
(l)  given for each listed item  
(m)  given for only non-English language listed item(s) [Required]  
(n)  is in the form of an English language copy of a Search Report from a foreign patent office, issued in a counterpart application, which refers to the relevant portions of the references [copy attached].

While the Information disclosed in this Information Disclosure Statement may be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that the information referred to is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56(a) exists. It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR § 1.98 and MPEP § 609 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the above-described and attached information.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 502305 for any fees required in connection with the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement. **A duplicate copy of this Notice is enclosed for this purpose.** In particular, in the event that an Office Action has cross in the mail with this Information Disclosure Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the above-named deposit account for any fees required pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) or 1.17 (l) (1).

Respectfully submitted,

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		Manuel Noronha Garmo, "Simulation of Turbulent Flow Using Vortex Particles", pps. 1-12 (unnumbered).
		Joe Stamm, et al., "Depicting Fire And Other Gaseous Phenomena Using Diffusion Processes", In Proceedings of SIGGRAPH 1995, ACM Press/ACM SIGGRAPH, Computer Graphics Proceedings, Annual Conference Series, ACM, 1995, pps. 129-136 (unnumbered).

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